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SRI K. S. ABDUL WAHAB: Have the Mysore Government allotted any amount for this scheme in the Fourth Five-Year Plan as the Madras Government have allotted?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: I have no information.

DR. H. V. HANDE: Has any attempt been made by the two Chief Ministers to get together and have a conference as was done in the case of the Tirupati bus transport?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: The Chief Ministers have informally talked to each other on the subject.

Part-time B.E. Courses

* 132 *Q.*—DR. H. V. HANDE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to start part-time B.E. courses in the State; and

(*b*) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Two centres for Part-time B.E. (or A.M.I.E.) courses for Diploma holders will be organised, one at the College of Engineering, Guindy, and the other at the Government College of Technology, Coimbatore, each with an annual intake of about 90 students subject to the concurrence of the Madras University.

DR. H. V. HANDE: What is the likely nature of the period of the course? How many years is the course likely to last?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: This is a part-time evening course. We have submitted certain proposals to the University. Our proposal is that it should be for five years. The University has to examine and finally determine the period.

DR. H. V. HANDE: Are the Government quite sure that there will not be overproduction of engineers by the introduction of this course?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: On the other hand, it is my personal feeling that there can never be any overproduction of engineers in any country so long as they do not seek jobs. Engineers should try to start industries and there is plenty of scope for doing it.

திரு. க. அன்பழகன்: தலைவர் அவர்களே, எல்.சி.இ., எல்.எம்.இ. ஆகிய தகுதிகள் பெற்றவர்கள் பி.இ. பட்டத்துறையில் சேர்ந்து பயில வாய்ப்பு அளிக்கப்படுமா?

கனம் திரு. ஆர். வெங்கட்டராமன்: டிப்ளமா ஹோல்டர்கள் எல்லோருக்கும் இந்த அனுமதி கொடுக்கப்படும்.

Dr. H. V. HANDE : When the L.C.E's. and the L.M.E's. are already having a chance to complete the A.M.I.E. within three years, will it not be possible for these people to finish this course within less than three years so that it will be easier for them and more useful?

The Hon. Sri R. VENKATARAMAN : This matter was referred to a committee and the committee considered that five years were necessary to equip them properly.

Industrial Training Institutes

*133 *Q.*—Sri N. V. NATARAJAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to increase the strength of the seats in the Industrial Training Institutes in the State; and

(*b*) if so, the stage at which the matter now stands?

The Hon. Sri R. VENKATARAMAN : (*a*) Proposals to increase the seating capacity in some of the Industrial Training Institutes in the State during the Fourth Plan period are under consideration.

(*b*) The proposals have not yet been finalised.

திரு. என். வி. நடராசன் : தலைவர் அவர்களே, இந்த நிறுவனங்கள் தாலுகா தோறும் நிறுவப்படுவதற்கு அரசு முன்வருமா என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

கனம் திரு. ஆர். வெங்கட்டராமன் : நான்காவது திட்டத்தில் இப்போது இருக்கிற நிறுவனங்களிலேயே அதிகமான அங்கத்தினர்களைச் சேர்க்கவேண்டும். புதிதாகக் கட்டிடங்கள் கட்டுவது அவசியமில்லை என்ற ஒரு எண்ணம் இருக்கிறது. அதற்குத் தகுந்தாற்போலத்தான் முடிவு எடுக்கப்படும்.

திரு. என். வி. நடராசன் : மத்திய அரசு இதற்கு ஏதாவது மானியம் வழங்கியுள்ளதா?

கனம் திரு. ஆர். வெங்கட்டராமன் : மத்திய அரசாங்கம் 60 சதவிகிதமும் நம்முடையது 40 சதவிகிதமாகவும் இருக்கும்.

Sri V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIAR : What is the present strength of these Institutes and by what percentage is it proposed to increase the strength?

The Hon. Sri R. VENKATARAMAN : Today we have roughly 10,000 artisans as machinists, welders, etc. Our ambitious plan is to have 20,000. But we do not know what will be the final position.

Sri S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Which is the district that has the largest number of these seats?

The Hon. Sri R. VENKATARAMAN : I think all of them have at the rate of 120 to 180 seats.